

# Title V Maternal and Child Health Block Grant and the Parent Leadership Training Institute: Community Partnerships for Success

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# Title V of the Social Security Act

Maternal and Child Health Bureau  
and

Formula-based Maternal and Child Health (MCH)  
Block Grant to States to improve the health of  
all mothers and children.

and  
Discretionary Grants (i.e.ECCS)



# Three Pieces of the Title V law that supports accountability through parent/youth/community input:

*1. Public Comment/Input “The annual (Block Grant) application shall be developed by, or in consultation with, the State maternal and child health agency and shall be made public within the State in such manner as to facilitate comment from any person during its development and after its transmittal.”*



# MCH Block Grant to States

- The Application includes a Public Input Section
- Ongoing public input, in addition to public comment on application, is encouraged.



# Title V of the Social Security Act (cont)

2. *The Title V Block Grant requires States “To provide and promote family-centered, community –based, coordinated care and to facilitate the development of community-based systems of services for children with special health care needs and their families.”*



# Title V (cont)

3. National Performance Measure #2, reported annually: “The percent of children with special health care needs age 0-18 years whose families partner in decision making at all levels and are satisfied with the services they receive.”



# Public Input For Title V (What does it look like?)

- Family/youth/community input at all levels (through trained leaders)
- Organization partnerships at Federal, State and Community levels
- Advisories that understand Title V and their role for providing input



# Outcomes of Family/Community Input

- Families/communities have developed policies benefiting the MCH population
- Services have been improved to increase access and quality
- Health equity is improving.
- Public Health and MCH are better understood by the public





# Opportunities for Community/Family Leadership

- Maternal Care, Infant Mortality Reduction, Adolescent Health, Early Childhood Systems.
- Funding and/or partnership for leadership training



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